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Resolution No. 2006-02-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTHERN SHORES TOWN COUNCIL CALLING FOR A COUNTYWIDE BEACH NOURISHMENT PLAN

Whereas, various municipal and county committees in Dare County have studied the efficacy, practicability, financing, and other impacts of beach nourishment (also known as shoreline preservation) over the past two decades; and,

Whereas, no single, comprehensive plan for stabilizing Dare County beaches has been developed and agreed upon (including financing) by the affected agencies of federal, State and local governments; and,

Whereas, various plans for the Dare County beach nourishment projects have estimated costs in tens of millions of dollars to estimated costs exceeding hundreds of millions of dollars but no single plan has been approved for funding by all the State and federal agencies that are being asked to fund the project(s); and,

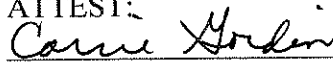
Whereas, alternative financing plans for beach nourishment may impact the Southern Shores community through direct tax payments by her citizens and/or through the loss of revenues to the Town government; and,

Whereas, on February 8, 2006, in a special election, Dare County voters repealed a 1% sales tax that was earmarked to fund beach nourishment projects in portions of Dare County and such vote was 78% in favor of repeal and 22% against repeal; and,

Whereas, this vote is the first indication of how Dare County voters feel on the issue of beach nourishment and the vote sends a strong signal that beach nourishment – regardless of which plan is selected - may not be an appropriate use of Dare County taxes.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Southern Shores Town Council urges the Dare County Commissioners to develop and disseminate a comprehensive written plan for beach nourishment (shoreline stabilization) in the County.

Adopted this 7th day of March 2006.

ATTEST:

Carrie Gordin, Town Clerk

